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ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO BE KNOWN AS THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE PROBLEM OF OVERPOPULATION IN WESTERN EUROPE AND PROGRAMS OF ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES FROM COMMUNIST TYRANNY

MARCH 3 (legislative day, FEBRUARY 25), 1952.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. McCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. Res. 270]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the resolution (S. Res. 270) to establish a special committee to be known as the Special Committee To Investigate the Problem of Overpopulation in Western Europe and Programs of Assistance to Refugees From Communist Tyranny, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon with amendments and recommends that the resolution, as amended, do pass.

AMENDMENTS

1. On page 2, line 11, immediately following the period insert the following sentence: "The members from each committee shall be appointed by the chairman of each committee".
2. On page 5, line 2, immediately following the dollar sign insert the sum "65,000".
3. On page 5, line 6, strike the period and insert the following: "January 31, 1953".

STATEMENT

One of the most serious problems which is facing the free world today is the problem of the surplus population of the free countries of Western Europe. It is a problem which is becoming increasingly more acute because of the additions to the Western European populations caused every month by thousands upon thousands of refugees from behind the iron curtain. Although it is principally a humanitarian problem, it is likewise an economic and political problem which has a direct bearing on our efforts to strengthen the free world against Communist encroachment.

The resolution establishes a special committee to be known as the Special Committee To Investigate the Problem of Overpopulation in

Western Europe and Programs of Assistance to Refugees from Communist Tyranny, to be composed of nine Members of the Senate, three of whom would be from the Committee on the Judiciary, three from the Committee on Foreign Relations, and three from the Committee on Armed Services. Under the resolution the committee is authorized and directed to conduct a thorough and complete study, survey, and investigation of the problem of overpopulation in certain Western European countries, the relationship this problem has to the ability of these nations to develop a self-sustaining economic, social, and political system which can defend itself against the penetrations of communism, and the problems created by the flow of escapees and refugees from Communist tyranny to the Western European nations.

The special committee is further authorized and directed to make recommendations on (1) the methods most likely to relieve the problems brought about by overpopulation in Western Europe which at the same time will increase the productive capacity of the free world and further strengthen its defenses against the penetrations and encroachments of communism; (2) the ways and means of assisting worthy refugees who have escaped from Communist tyranny, and the methods best suited to encourage future disaffection and escape so as to strengthen the forces seeking affiliation with the free world; and (3) the manner of coordinating the activities and programs of the various agencies of Government having responsibilities with respect to (*a*) United States participation in intergovernmental programs seeking to relieve the problems of overpopulation in certain Western European nations, (*b*) the care, rehabilitation, education, utilization, and emigration of refugees from communism, and (*c*) the integrating of such refugees into the forces of the democratic nations.

The special committee is directed to report to the Senate from time to time the results of its study, survey, and investigation, together with such recommendations as it deems appropriate to the accomplishment of the purposes of the resolution.

There is herewith set forth a proposed budget for the special subcommittee for a period of 10 months beginning April 1, 1952, and ending January 31, 1953.

Staff expense

Position	Number	Base salary	Gross salary	Monthly salary	Total for period
Staff director	1	$7,320	$11,646.00	$970.50	$9,705.00
Attorney	1	5,640	9,404.83	783.73	7,837.30
Special consultant	2	5,640	9,404.83	783.73	15,674.60
Research clerk	1	3,120	5,525.75	460.47	4,604.70
Stenographer	2	3,120	5,525.75	460.47	9,209.40
Total staff expense					47,031.00

Nonstaff expense

Contingent fund	$500	
Travel	13,669	
Hearings	3,000	
Stationery	300	
Telephone and telegraph	500	
Total nonstaff expense	17,969	17,969.00
Total expense		65,000.00

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